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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: FLIGHT CLEARANCE: ASCENSION ISLAND

REFS: (A) STATE 58775; (B) LONDON 4576

1. BY SEPTTEL, HQUSAF IS ALERTING USDAO LONDON TO USG INTENTION TO AIRLIFT ADDITIONAL SHIPMENT OF NON-LETHAL MILITARY SUPPLIES FROM CONUS TO ZAIRE, TRANSITING ASCENSION ISLAND ENROUTE TO KINSHASHA. FLIGHTS WILL BE UNDER COMMERCIAL CHARTER TO MAC, BUT DATES AND TYPE OF AIRCRAFT STILL UNDETERMINED. FLIGHT CLEARANCE REQUEST WILL BE SUBMITTED (FOR ASCENSION) THROUGH NORMAL DAO CHANNELS.

2. REQUEST YOU SEEK FCO'S RECONFIRMATION OF HMG AGREEMENT FOR ASCENSION TRANSIT PER FOREGOING.
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3. IN ADDITION, WHILE WE OBVIOUSLY CANNOT PREDICT FUTURE LEVEL OF UTILIZATION OF ASCENSION FOR ZAIRE RESUPPLY FLIGHTS, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE IF HMG COULD GRANT BLANKET AUTHORIZATION "IN PRINCIPLE" FOR THIS PURPOSE. US WOULD SUPPLY DETAILS ON TIMING AND LOGISTICS OF EACH PROPOSED FLIGHT, WHEN KNOWN, THROUGH MILITARY

CHANNELS (LONDON AND ASCENSION.) THUS, REQUEST YOU ALSO
EXPLORE WITH FCO POSSIBILITY OF TEMPORARY PROCEDURE ALONG

THESE LINES TO EXPEDITE ANY FUTURE REQUESTS INVOLVING
ZAIRE RESUPPLY.

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